HOUSE BILL 1200 By Buck

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 23, Chapter 3, relative to the practice of law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 23-3-103, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

(b) Any person, firm, association or corporation who violates the prohibition in subsection (a) commits a Class E felony punishable by fine only and shall be subject to be sued for treble the amount which shall have been paid to such person, firm, association or corporation for any service rendered in violation hereof by the person, firm, association or corporation, paying the same within two (2) years from the date the same shall have been paid, or for actual damages suffered, whichever is greater, plus the costs of such action including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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